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Military Information from Kiev

Team	Time of Observation	Source and Employment	Installation	Location	Occupation
Kiev (N 50-27, E 30-32)	Prior to December 1950 25X1X		Barracks installation of 4 or 5 four-story brick buildings and a park with a tank monument in the western section, enclosed by an iron fence on concrete foundation.	About 3 km west of the Kurenivka railroad station, on the north- west side of the northern railroad by-pass, on the northwestern perimeter of the city.	The installation was occupied by a tank unit. Entries were red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. JS-3 tanks frequently left the installation for a training ground, west of the by-pass.
	Prior to December 1950.		Barracks installation of one three-story building, about 30 meters long, with a park behind it and no fence.	On the northwest side of Chaussee Deroyiv Stran- tosteri, about 1,200 meters south-west of the main railroad station.	The installation was occupied by a militia unit. Four units, each numbering about 100 men, and other militia personnel were observed in the installation. The men wore dark-blue uniforms with brass buttons with hammer and sickle emblem, rectangular light-blue collar patches, light-blue- bordered dark-blue epaulets, and dark- blue caps with light-blue bands and Soviet-star-emblem. The officers wore khaki uniforms with blue insignia.
			Depot, about 150 x 100 meters, of 1 administration building, 3 storehouses, about 30 meters long, with a concrete ramp between the storehouses; a railroad spur, and enclosed by a board fence, 3 meters high.	About 500 meters north of the airfield south- west of the city, on the west side of the rail- road line from the air- field to the main station.	Prior to September 1950, the depot was controlled by militia officers. It was staffed with about 15 militia, 15 civilians and an unidentified number of PVs. The storehouses were used to store ration supplies and clothing, which arrived by rail and were picked up by numerous trucks driven by militia personnel.

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			Barracks installation under construction of one large four-story brick building, about 200 meters long with shower rooms on each floor, enclosed by a board fence.	On the east side of Chaussee Baroyiv Straststeri, almost opposite the Militia Barracks mentioned above, about 1,200 meters southwest of the main railroad station.	The bare structure of the installation, which had been under construction for several years, was completed by December 1950. It was constructed by a civilian company but supervised by militia officers. According to civilian workers, the building was a militia barracks.
	Prior to May 1952		Ordnance park on a long strip.	Southeastern sector of the city, about 2 km west of the southern bridge over the Dnepr River and about 1,000 meters north of a railroad track.	In May 1952, source observed from a distance over 100 heavy AA guns arranged in several rows.
			Underground military installation in a hall with fruit trees and enclosed by a wire fence with watchtowers.	Southeastern perimeter of the city, about 3 km southwest of the southern bridge over the Dnepr River.	Fellow PWs said that a military depot with unidentified contents was in the hall in May 1952. The watchtowers were manned at all times.
Kiev-Bar-nitsa	Prior to April 1952		Barracks installation of 1 new four-story main building, about 50 meters long, 4 low wooden buildings, about 30 meters long, and 1 guardhouse, enclosed by a wire fence, 1.5 meters high, and equipped with an antenna mast of about 15 meters, outside the fence.	Directly north of a settlement newly constructed in a woods on the northern perimeter of Baraitsa and about 1,000 meters south of the Kiev-Broyoviy (N50-30, 230-50) road.	The installation was occupied by a motorized artillery unit of about 500 men. A major was ranking officer. Several captains were seen. From 10 to 15 guns towed by trucks were frequently observed marching to a training ground southwest of the Baraitsa railroad station. From 25 to 30 guns, 25 to 30 trucks, 5 or 6 caterpillar tractors, and an unidentified number of radio trucks were observed in the installation. The guns had a caliber of more than 100-mm, smooth barrel, no muzzle brake, box-trail gun carriage and protective shield with a sliding door the barrel.

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			Ordinance depot of an unidentified number of low wooden buildings in a former clearing with four watchtowers, apparently without fence.	About 5.5 km north of the Darnitsa railroad station on partly wooded hill north of the Kiev-Brosny road.	A total of about 400 light and medium guns, arranged in several rows, were observed from the road. In early 1952, two convoys, each of about 10 heavy AA guns, one convoy of 50 to 60 AT guns, and an undetermined number of convoys of 8 to 10 AT guns were observed proceeding to the area. The AT guns had split-trail gun carriages with round trails, about 70-mm caliber barrels, about 4 meters long and mounting a pear-shaped muzzle brake. The low buildings were occupied by about 100 artillerymen commanded by a major.	
25X1X	March 1952		Group activities.	wooded area north of Darnitsa.	In March 1952, small columns of tanks, guns, AT guns and trucks constantly arrived, from Kiev, at the wooded area. T-34 tanks, AT guns, mortars, guns of various models and numerous trucks and prime movers parked in the western section of the woods. Tent camps were observed near the guns and vehicles. The troops left after a period of about two weeks.	25X1X
					numerous tanks and motor vehicles assembled in the above mentioned woods at the same time.	25X1X
25X1X	March 1952		AAA and tank activities.	Meadows northwest of the railroad car factory, northeast of the Darnitsa railroad station.	In March 1952, 4 or 5 groups of 4 to 6 heavy AA guns, which were not dug in, were observed in the open terrain, about 500 meters square. Individual jeeps, trucks and prime movers as well as about five heavy tanks with long barrels with muzzle brakes were parked between the gun groups.	

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			Ordnance depot of an unidentified number of low wooden buildings in a forest clearing with four watchtowers; apparently without fence.	About 3.5 km north of the Darnitsa railroad station on partly wooded hill north of the Kiev-Brovary road	A total of about 400 light and medium guns, arranged in several rows, were observed from the road. In early 1952, two convoys, each of about 10 heavy AA guns, one convoy of 50 to 60 AT guns, and an undetermined number of convoys of 8 to 10 AT guns were observed proceeding to the area. The AT guns had split-trail gun carriages with round trails, about 70-mm caliber barrels, about 4 meters long and mounting a pear-shaped muzzle brake. The low buildings were occupied by about 100 artillerymen commanded by a major.
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	Prior to May 1962 25X1X		Military installation of one brick building, about 75 meters long, with three wings of equal size at irregular intervals.	About 30 km south of Kiev, 1 or 2 km west of the Dnepr River in a young pine wood.	The installation was referred to as the sanitarium by the workers. The construction of the first and second floor was completed. Each floor was equipped with a long corridor with numerous single rooms. The installation, which was constructed under civilian management, was frequently inspected by high-ranking army officers.

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